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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

JUVENILE JUSTICE EMERGENCY ORDERS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 20-25
REGARDING EXTENDED TIME
PERIODS FOR HEARINGS DURING
STATE OF EMERGENCY

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic leading to federal, state, and local declarations of a State of Emergency, and pursuant to its authority under San Luis Obispo County Superior Court Administrative Order No. 20-01 and the General Orders re: Implementation of Emergency Relief Authorized Pursuant to Government Code Section 68115 by Chair of Judicial Council, and the Honorable Jacquelyn H. Duffy, dated November 19, 2020, the Court hereby makes the following Order regarding hearings pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code sections 631, 632, 637 and 657.

- 1. The purpose of this Order is to protect the health and safety of juvenile justice involved youth, their families, and the general public, by limiting the number of days that hearings are held on the juvenile justice calendar.
- 2. The Court finds that, for purposes of computing time under Welfare and Institutions Code sections 631, 632, 637 and 657, November 23, 2020 to December 18, 2020, inclusive, are deemed holidays because the emergency conditions prevent the Court from conducting proceedings or accepting filings as necessary to satisfy these deadlines on those dates.
- 3. Specifically with respect to sections 632 and 637 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, the Court finds that the time periods within which a minor taken into custody pending wardship proceedings and charged with a felony offense must be given a detention hearing, or rehearing, are extended to not more than seven (7) days, applicable only to youth for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire, from November 23, 2020 to December 18, 2020, inclusive. The Court finds that the Probation Officer may calendar a detention hearing or rehearing for applicable youth within this extended time period.
- 4. Specifically with respect to section 657 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, the Court finds that the time period within which a hearing on a wardship petition for a minor charged with a felony offense must be held is extended to not more than fifteen (15) days, applicable only to youth for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire, from November 23, 2020 to December 18, 2020, inclusive.
  - 5. THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE AS OF NOVEMBER 23, 2020, AND THROUGH DECEMBER 18, 2020, AND MAY BE AMENDED AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 20, 2020

Presiding Juvenile Judge of the Superior Court

CHARLES S. CRANDALL